



WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCT. 20, 1909

It is proposed to use the new pure food and drug act as a club to browbeat the idea of the impending tariff war with the United States out of the head of France. The subordinate officials who are running the government in the absence of big chiefs have hit upon this measure as the only weapon available to avert the probable disastrous consequences to American trade with France if the war is invited by the Payne-Aldrich tariff act is allowed to begin. As France will put her maximum tariff rates on importations from the United States into effect on November 1, while the Payne-Aldrich maximum rates cannot under our law be put into effect against French importations before March, the French will have decided the better of the war at the outset unless an effect such as may be in the food and drug act can be applied. Besides, from an administration standpoint, another evil to be feared in allowing the advantage to France would be the increased unpopularity of the new tariff among exporters to France.

REPORTS from the New England cotton mill towns are to the effect that the leading mill owners have joined with the southern and British cotton men in a general agreement to curtail production from now until the end of 1910. The reasons advanced for this movement, which may result in the closing of many cotton mills, are the increase in the cost of the raw material in the south and in Egypt and the failure of the big dry goods jobbers to enter the requisite volume of orders. The proposition calls for a suspension of operation for 224 working hours, before August 1, 1910, and it is to be effective when 7,000,000 spindles in the New England district have been signed up. This is said news to the cotton mill operators just at the approach of the winter season.

THAT ex-president Roosevelt and his policy of the strenuous life are responsible for more evils and crime in America than any other cause was asserted by Joseph Miller, in a talk to the convicts in the prison chapel at San Quentin, Cal., on Monday. "There is something wrong with the way the people in this country live," he said. "They are too strenuous, too active, too vigorous. Roosevelt, as the head of this great nation, rushed the people into all sorts of crime. His strenuous theory of life is criminal. He has infected us with a sort of insane activity. The American mind is energy. It is a mania peculiar to us, and Roosevelt is responsible for much of it." So Mr. Roosevelt is made responsible for another great sin by the aged poet, who advocated getting many prisoners pardoned.

THE price of fish in New York markets, says the Tribune of that city, would probably be much lower if (1) the menhaden fishing monopoly did not scoop up and destroy so many food fish; if (2) shiploads of food fish were brought to market instead of being dumped overboard again when it was found that their sale would send prices down; if (3) wholesale fish grabbers did not interfere with the activities of the individual fishermen; and if (4) our nearby coast fisheries were conducted with a decent regard for law and sound economics. The same may be said of the fish markets in all this section of the country.

JUDGE DEURY A. HINTON died at his home in Petersburg last night, aged 65. He was a native of Petersburg, a prominent lawyer, and served as commonwealth's and city attorney. He was once a member of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, and delivered a dissenting opinion in reference to the decision of the death penalty in the celebrated case of Thomas Jefferson Clavin, who was hanged in Richmond for the murder of Miss Lillian Madison. Judge Hinton served during the civil war as adjutant of the Twelfth Virginia Regiment.

DEMENTIA AUTONOBILIA is causing a serious slump in the carriage trade, said President Maurice Connolly, of the Carriage Builders National Association, at their meeting in Washington yesterday. Still the price of carriages and horses is not declining.

From Washington.
(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)
Washington, Oct. 20.
A tariff war of gigantic proportions which threatens to demoralize the trade between the United States and France and may eventually lead to the prohibition of French imports to the United States is now looming upon the horizon. Although the French government has issued no proclamation imposing maximum rates on a number of American products now being admitted under the minimum rates the notice that such a proclamation would be issued has been published. It is assumed that the change will go into effect November 1st. Although no official statement has been made by the State Department, there is no question but that the attitude

News of the Day.

The directors of the Western Union Telegraph Company met in New York today and organized by electing all of the retiring officers.

The stockholders of the Batterick Company voted yesterday to increase the capital of the concern from \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000 for the purpose of taking over Everybody's Magazine.

An order issued in Paris today by the department of posts and telegraphs opens the way for the operation of a two-cent postal rate in France, and a five-cent rate to foreign countries.

Emperor Nicholas sailed yesterday from Yalta for Italy; he will make a short stay at Odessa. Many troops have been massed at Racooni, where the czar will meet King Victor Emmanuel.

At St. Catherine's Hospital in New York it was stated this morning that the condition of State Senator McCauley, who had a bad sinking spell soon after midnight, was again much more favorable and that he seemed to be gaining strength.

General Estrada has proclaimed himself provisional president of Nicaragua, and President Zelaya has proclaimed the closing of the Atlantic coast ports, and orders have been prepared for the mobilization of a Russian corps to occupy Finland.

The faculty of the University of Copenhagen today refused to yield to the National Geographic Society of America the right to make the first scientific examination of the records of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, and his claims to the discovery of the North Pole.

Members of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor in Washington yesterday condemned in strong terms the execution of Professor Francisco Ferrer by the Spanish authorities. Those present at the session were President Samuel Gompers, Vice-President James Duncan, John Mitchell, James O'Connell, D. A. Hayes, William D. Huber, John Albin, Henry B. Peham, Treasurer John B. Lennon, and Secretary Frank Morrison.

Virginia News.

Farmers of Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky met at Danville yesterday and declared war against the tobacco trust.

A local option election, to determine whether saloons shall remain closed or shall open their doors again, will be held in Berryville in a short while.

Mrs. Ella Barnett, wife of Mr. John H. Barnett, and daughter of the late John Beatty, died Tuesday night at Winchester of a complication of diseases.

The promoters of the proposed railroad to Colonial Beach which is to intersect with the R. F. & P. R. R., say that the line will be open to the traveling public by July 1, 1910.

Three batteries of the Third Field Artillery from Fort Myer, Va., passed through Warrenton yesterday afternoon on their way to Fausquier Springs, where they will be in camp two weeks.

A dispensation has been granted by Dr. J. W. Eggleston, grand master in Virginia for a Masonic Lodge at Haymarket, with W. J. Phillips as worshipful master, H. W. Dodge, senior warden, and J. A. Marshall, junior warden. The first meeting will be held Tuesday, October 26, at 7 p. m.

Governor Shannon yesterday announced that he would not appoint a successor to the late David Q. Eggleston, secretary of the commonwealth, until after the state democratic committee shall have met and named a candidate to be voted for in the general election in November. When this is done it is believed the governor will forthwith name that gentleman to fill the unexpired term of Eggleston.

The Antislavery league of Norfolk met with the first reverse in the case of its appeal from the decision of the registrar in refusing to strike from the registration lists the names of certain persons which attorneys for the league assert should not be there. Judge Hancock at Norfolk yesterday handed down a decision that only those who are denied registration have a right to appeal, but no one else in their behalf.

The silver jubilee convention of the state council of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics of Virginia met in Masonic Temple at Manchester yesterday morning, R. L. Patram, of Davis Council, No. 27, presiding. The convention will be in session two days. The delegates were welcomed by Maj. Maurice, the mayor, who made a strong plea against the immigration law which allows aliens to take our naturalization papers after five years of residence in this country.

A sensational case was begun in circuit court of Staunton yesterday in which Daniel Kingan, a jeweler, is suing James Webb, a capitalist, for \$10,000 damages for alienating the affections of Kingan's wife. Kingan and Webb were formerly intimate friends. Kingan's wife left him last year, it is alleged, for cruel treatment, but Kingan claims that Webb was the cause of the trouble. Last summer Kingan shot at Webb, who was passing his store into which Webb went for refuge. Kingan was fined \$200 for the shooting.

Explosion of Fire Damp.
Cumnock, Scotland, Oct. 20.—Heavy casualties are feared as the result of an explosion of fire damp in the main shaft of a coal mine here today. Four dead and many seriously injured have already been taken from the wrecked pit. The entire force of the mine was at work when the explosion occurred.

To Increase Rate.
New York, Oct. 20.—Local banking houses with British connections received advice today that the bank of England will tomorrow probably increase its discount rate from four to four and one-half per cent. Some of the cables state that there is a possibility that the rate will go to five per cent.

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Today's Telegraphic News

The Long Island Tragedy.
Islip, L. I., Oct. 20.—Coroner Savage and the Suffolk county authorities are today going over the list of missing women furnished by the New York police in the hope of finding one who will answer the description of the woman whose skeleton was found on the Islip-Brentwood road yesterday. Calvin Da Blase, a Jersey City milk dealer, sent a letter to Coroner Savage today stating that he believed the woman may be Miss Rita Schwartz, who boarded with him at Steenville, Sullivan county, in 1906. The description of the dental work in the skull found here corresponds to that in Miss Schwartz's mouth. Miss Schwartz was a stenographer employed in Mauchettan, Da Blase believed, and lived in Hancock street, Brooklyn. A telegram to the Brooklyn police, however, brought an answer that no Miss Schwartz could be located on Hancock street, nor had one lived there for several years, so far as the police could learn.

Ship's Crew Massacred.
Victoria, B. C., Oct. 20.—Details of the massacre in New Britain, an island in the Bismarck archipelago, last month, are received by the steamer Marama today that Captain Lindsey and ten of his crew were murdered and burned. The trading vessel was looted and burned.

Captain Lindsey, who was owner and master of the Babool, prominent in New Britain trade, was off the east coast of the island, recruiting laborers. A swarm of blacks asked that he come ashore, as plenty of men were ready to sign as laborers. Captain Lindsey agreed and was struck down from behind with a spear. The blacks sprang upon him with knives and hacked him to death. The flotilla of canoes then went off to the Babool and the blacks swarmed aboard. One after another the ten men of the crew were slaughtered.

The War in Morocco.
Lisbon, Oct. 20.—That the Rif tribesmen are storming the Spanish position at Melilla and have succeeded in planting their artillery within two miles of the center of the town, is the report that reached Lisbon through Moroccan native sources today. The report declares that the position of the Spanish forces in Melilla is most serious, as the Rifis are attacking with their full force, and are using to great advantage heavy guns secured through officers of Hauli Hadid's army.

The attack began on Sunday morning, and, according to the report here, the Rifis gained the outer works of the town. Despite heavy losses the natives are persisting in the attack. The Spanish losses are comparatively small, as yet.

Triple Murder.
Greenville, Tenn., Oct. 20.—Three are dead today as the result of a long-standing feud between the Gentry and Gentry families at Stoney Cove, ten miles south of here. The dead are: A. B. Gentry, his son Irvine, and Schofield Gentry. Full details of the fight are unavailable. Gentry was a son-in-law of A. B. Gentry, although his wife had returned to her father's house. Previously Gentry had built a house on the lands of the Tennessee Iron and Railway Company, but after moving from this, Gentry had been placed in charge by the company as a tenant. Gentry later returned and tried to oust Gentry, and it is supposed, the triple tragedy was the result of a fight between the two families over the possession of the house.

Abruzzi Offered Greek Throne.
Rome, Oct. 20.—It is learned here today on the best authority that a tentative offer of the Greek throne, in the event of the abdication of King George, has been made to the duke of the Abruzzi, by emissaries of the Greek army. The duke refused to give a definite answer, but intimated that he might accept an explicit offer if it were made. The duke of the Abruzzi is the choice of the army officers of Greece to succeed King George, who cannot well avoid abdicating in the face of present conditions in Greece. A meeting of army officers, held at Athens recently, decided to offer the throne to Abruzzi if the present dynasty falls.

Condition Critical.
New York, Oct. 20.—The condition of Miss Jeanette La Port, of Washington, D. C., who was thrown out of a buggy in Central Park yesterday afternoon when her horse ran away, is critical. She was still unconscious in the Presbyterian Hospital this morning and there are slight hopes of her recovery. Miss La Port was visiting her aunt, Mrs. Ida M. Smart, of East Forty-eighth street. She went driving with R. F. Whitehead, an architect, and the horse became frightened at an automobile and bolted. Whitehead was thrown out and slightly injured.

Surrendered to Sheriff.
Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 20.—Tyrus Cobb, star batsman and base runner of the Detroit American League baseball champions, surrendered himself to Sheriff Hirstine this morning and was at once arraigned to the indictment charging him with "stabbing to wound" George Stanfield, a night watchman at the Euclid Hotel. Cobb's trial was set for November 22 and his bail was fixed at \$500. The bond was immediately arranged by his attorney, and Cobb was released.

Killed in Typhoon.
London, Oct. 20.—Dispatches from Macao, the Portuguese port near Hong Kong, declare that hundreds were killed in a typhoon which swept the Chinese coast. Shipping was destroyed all along the coast and hundreds of native junks were sunk with their crews. Little is known of the damage to the interior as communication has been cut off. Several small towns along the coast were totally destroyed, houses being wrecked and in some cases blown far from their foundations.

Coroner's Inquest.
London, Oct. 20.—The coroner's inquest into the death of William Isaco Buchanan, the American diplomat, found dead in the street here Sunday, decided today that death was due to natural causes. No indications of foul play were found on the body. The American ambassador has taken charge of Buchanan's effects, pending the arrival of relatives, who will take the body to America.

Health Officers Meet in Richmond.
Richmond, Va., Oct. 19.—More than 200 delegates, representing four countries are already in attendance upon the meeting of the American Public Health Association in this city. Experts from the United States, from Canada, from Mexico and from Cuba are gathered for four days discussion of the problems confronting health work in America.

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New York Stock Market.
New York, Oct. 20.—Some losses were noted in the active issues after the first hour's trading, but around mid-day a stronger tone developed on which many of the losses fully recovered. Business was on a relatively small scale.

NEW LIGHTHOUSES.
The hydrographic bureau announced the establishment of a new light at Persimmon Shoal, near the junction of the Potomac river with the Chesapeake bay. It is a fixed red lens lantern in 16 feet of water on a black and white screw pile. It is south 9° 20' east of lower Cedar Point lighthouse, north 70° 40' west of Persimmon Point, and north 44° 30' west of Mathias Point lighthouse. A light has also been established at the Port Tobacco river flats. This one has a fixed white lens lantern and is 20 feet above the water in 2½ feet of water on the edge of the flats, making out to about the middle of Port Tobacco river on the northern side of the channel. Its bearings are Persimmon Point shoal beacon, Upper Cedar Point lighthouse and Windmill Point.

No false pretenses has marked the career of Ely's Cream Balm. Being entirely harmless, it is not responsible like the catarrh salts and powders, for minds shattered by cocaine. The great success of Ely's Cream Balm is that it is speedy and completely overcomes nasal catarrh and hay fever. Back of this statement is the testimony of thousands and a reputation of many years' success. All druggists, or write to Ely Bros., 16 Warren street, New York.

DIED.
At his home, 310 north St. Asaph street, Tuesday, October 19, at 1:55 a. m., JOSEPH HAYNES, Funeral from the residence Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Hess, The Walkover, The Regal Shoes for Men. J. A. Marshall & Bro., 422 King street.

List of Unclaimed Letters.
The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria, Va., postoffice up to October 16, 1909.

Arnold, W. H.
Cameron, Elliott
Cousherry, John
Earle, A. M.
Freed, Henry
Harris, Mary
Miller, Mrs. Mary
Montgomery, Geo. C.
Neil, Mrs. Mary
Williams, L. W.
THOMAS BURROUGHS, P. M.

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DRY GOODS.
75c AND 80c SHEETS Size 81x90, at 59c 11x20 D. M. C. Sheets in the heavy linen finish; full size; hand torn; for double bed, 75c value. 45x100 Royal Blue Sheets in the soft, round thread; hand torn; for family use. 80c value. Special. 59c To Match The Sheets.

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Dresden Pattern China Ware.

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Plates, \$1.25 up.
Flower Vases, \$1.00 up.
Nut Bowls, \$1.75 up.
Almond Dishes, 50c up.
Bouquet Dishes, \$1.75 up.
Fruit Dishes, \$3.00 up.
Footed Comports, \$3.75 each.
Cake Plates, \$1.25 each.

SPECIAL SALE OF HIGH-GRADE BRASS BEDS.
Brass Beds, with 2-inch posts, A well made bed. \$10.75 Value, \$15.
Brass Beds, with 2-inch continuous posts and 1-2 inch fillers. \$18.75 Value, \$25.
Brass Beds, with 2-inch posts and 5-8 inch fillers. A very pretty design. \$22.75 Value, \$30.
Second floor—F at.

Brass Beds, with 2-inch posts and 1-inch fillers. All sizes. \$29.75 Value, \$37.50.
Brass beds, with 2-inch continuous posts and 1-2 inch fillers. \$39.75 Value, \$48.50.
Brass Beds, camel back effects, with 2-inch continuous posts and 3-4 inch fillers. Bright or satin finish. \$39.75 Value, \$50.

BLACK DRESS GOODS
Below Lowest Market Price.

All Wool Panama Cloth, 36 inches wide, at 50c a yard. Black Serge, 36 inches wide, at 50c a yard. Silk and Wool Voiles at \$1 a yard. All Wool Broadcloth, 50 inches wide, at \$1 and \$1.50 a yard. The items are as black as ravens' wings. Children's Coats and Caps to match from 2 to 4 years old, in castor brown, white, navy, Copenhagen, blue and red. Box styles from \$1.50 to \$5.00.

Carpets any quality you may desire from a 25c Rag carpet to a fine Velvet. All carpets made laid and lined free of charge.

Window Shades, any color or size, in stock from 10c up. Also Window Shades made to order.

Have you seen the new carpet Linoleums, New Matings, New Oilcloths, Linoleums? All qualities

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NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the ALEXANDRIA WATER COMPANY will be held at noon on MONDAY, November 1, 1909, at 1018 at GEORGE UHLEN, Secretary.

FOR RENT.—The dwelling part of 118 south Fairfax street; also brick dwelling 214 south Henry street. Apply to E. B. TAYLOR, oc16 3t 118 South Fairfax street.

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FOR SALE. Desirable three story Brick Dwelling Nos. 413-15 Prince Street, containing 15 rooms and every modern convenience. Splendid condition. Large side lot. Further particulars of John D. Normoyle, King and Royal Sts.

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RESERVED SEATS.....10c and 15c DREAM THEATRE open from 7:30 to 11 p. m. Lead-Letter's Lubricating Liniment easy to apply—easy on the horse, too, 25 cents per bottle.